

REMARKS

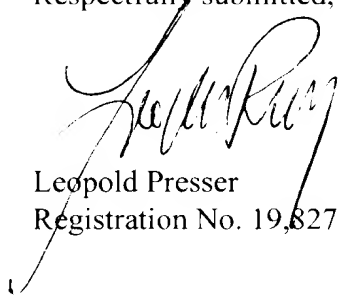
Original claim 1-9 remain in this application. Claims 3-5 and 7-9 have been amended. Original claims 10 and 11 have been canceled. New claims 12-18 have been added.

The claims as filed in the international application have been revised to better prepare the same for U.S. prosecution. No new matter has been added in making these amendments.

Attached hereto is a marked-up version of the changes made to the claims by the current amendment. The attached page is caption "**Version with markings to show changes made**".

It is respectfully requested that the above amendments be entered before an action on the merits is issued.

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3. (Amended) The [compound of any of the claims 1 or 2,] S-nitrosothiol derivative of claim 1 wherein said derivative is N-acetyl-2-amino-2-[4-(4-S-nitrosomercaptotetrahydropyran)] acetic acid.

4. (Amended) The [compound of any of the claims 1 or 2,] S-nitrosothiol derivative of claim 1 wherein said derivative is N-acetyl-2-amino-2-[4-(4-S-nitrosomercapto-1-methylpiperidin)] acetic acid.

5. (Amended) The [compound of any of the claims 1 or 2,] S-nitrosothiol derivative of claim 1 wherein said derivative is N-acetyl-2-amino-3-benzyl-3-S-nitrosomercapto-4-phenyl-butanoic acid.

7. (Amended) The [compound of any of claims 1 or 6,] S-nitrosothiol derivative of claim 1 wherein said derivative is N[N-γ-L-glutamyl-2-amino-2-(4-(4-S-nitrosomercapto)tetrahydropyr-an))acetyl]-glycine.

8. (Amended) The [compound of any of claims 1 or 6,] S-nitrosothiol derivative of claim 1 wherein said derivative is N[N-γ-L-glutamyl-2-amino-2-(4-(4-S-nitrosomercapto-1-methylpipe-ridin))acetyl]-glycine.

9. (Amended) The [compound of any of claims 1 or 6,] S-nitrosothiol derivative of claim 1 wherein said derivative is N[N-γ-L-glutamyl-2-amino-3-benzyl-3-(S-nitrosomercapto)-4-phenylbutanoyl]-glycine.